

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COLUMN

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CHICAGO BILL-BOARD CRUSADE.

How the Great Western Metropolis is Fighting the Nuisance.

(By Mrs. Herman J. Hall in Home and Flowers.)

The editor of Home and Flowers introduces Mrs. Hall's work as follows: "One of the most hopeful signs of the development in American taste is the growing opposition to the hideous bill-board. None of the cities of Europe will tolerate the offensive signs which disfigure the streets of so many of our towns. London has a society organized for their suppression. Paris makes them subject to a government censorship and conform to the rules of beauty. Rome will not allow any of them to appear without written consent from the city authorities and the property owners. American cities are waking up to this evil. New York has already taken effective action against the bill-boards; Buffalo has done away with them, so has Baltimore. Chicago, at the instigation of the Municipal Art League, and particularly Mrs. Herman J. Hall, is now banishing them."

Among other things, Mrs. Hall says: "At the last session of the legislature of Illinois a bill was introduced which was to prevent the abuses of public advertising, though it was presented too late to secure its passage. It is to be hoped that the most strenuous effort will be made at the next session to make this bill lawful, which will prohibit the disfigurement of any public fence, bridge, gate or building, and prevent any advertisements from appearing on private property without the written consent of the owner. This will compel all those who make money by such disagreeable means to acknowledge the same and to free our public institutions and property from defacement."

"That the bill-board agitation in Chicago has made many people openly object to what they had formerly only grumbled about in the bosom of their families, that it has made the careless think and the stupid examine, is a foregone conclusion."

"In Paris every poster must have the

government stamp upon it, for which a small fee is paid. The advertisement is limited in size, and therefore to attract the eye each advertiser strives to make his effort more attractive than his competitor. Hence, the thousands of real pictures that are seen today in that metropolis, where they are to be found pasted on garretful kiosques erected for the purpose. The advertising posters are sold also as easel pictures."

"We would not advocate the annihilation of the bill-board. It has its mission in the business part of the city or town, where it should stay. It could be an educational feature as well if sufficient care was taken by the merchant to make it artistic. Not until the individual is great enough to consider the welfare of the masses may we hope for the city beautiful."

"The Municipal Art League of Chicago has just issued its 'Twentieth Century, Year One,' year book, which states that the object of the association is 'to promote in every practical way the beautifying of streets, public buildings, and parks of Chicago.'"

"Representatives of a number of commercial boards of Portland, Oregon, have conferred with the American League for Civic Improvement, with a view to forming an organization to give Portland an exhibition of 1905. Mr. L. Samuels, one of the prominent business men, has already begun a tour of Eastern cities, in order to look into free bath, library, school and gymnasium progress in the larger cities and to make observations of how the East beautifies its towns."

"Organizations of business men in increasing numbers are taking vital and helpful interest in the work of civic improvement. The Business Men's Club, of Cincinnati, O., has recently applied for membership in the American League for Civic Improvement; and the Commercial Association of San Joaquin Valley, California, announces that in conjunction with the Federation of Women's Clubs in California, it will begin a campaign of public education on public improvement topics."

Port of Upper Astoria, where her keel still lies.

Her medicine chest is in the rooms of the Historical Society in Portland. According to a card in it the chest was filled with medicine December 31, 1847, by Rusherton & Co., of 10 Astor House in N. Y.

The name of the ship as written in the Astoria customs records, as engraved in the brass plate on the medicine chest, as recorded in the register of 1834, now in the archives of the treasury department in Washington, is spelled "Silvie De Grasse," which fully sets at rest the controversy as to the correct spelling.

It is said a sister of Colonel John Adair, the first collector of the customs at Astoria, once was a passenger on this ship to Havre.

When wrecked, the Silvie was laden with lumber from Hunt's mill near Clifton. The lumber was owned by a man by the name of Grey, who was unable to get another vessel to carry it until the price had dropped below a profit.

Permanent register, 494, was issued in New York, November 18, 1848, which was probably the last issued to this vessel. The then owners were Samuel M. Fox, Mortimer Livingston, Isaac Bell, John Tate and Chas. Secor.

J. Q. A. BOWLEY.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Clatsop County Teachers' Annual Institute opens today at the High School building at 9 o'clock a. m. The program for today, which follows, is an interesting one, and not only teachers but patrons of the schools and the public generally will find it worth their while to attend. The prominent persons connected with the institute insure its success from the beginning, and the interest will be kept up all the way through. While the morning and afternoon sessions will be held at the High School, the evening session will be held in the Congregational church. Following is today's program:

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21.

(Day's Session at High School.)

9:00—Music.

9:10—Registration and Introductory Remarks, by J. H. Ackerman.

9:50—Arithmetic, by R. F. Robinson.

10:30—Recess.

10:40—Address, Are We Following the Masters? by W. O. Sims.

11:20—Course of Study—Language, by J. H. Ackerman.

AFTERNOON.

1:30—Music.

1:40—Reading, by R. F. Robinson.

2:25—Course of Study—History, by J. H. Ackerman.

3:10—Recess.

3:20—Geography, by R. F. Robinson.

EVENING.

8:00—Music.

8:20—Address, by J. H. Ackerman.

THE BIG "TRIKE."

ELKESBARRE, Pa., May 19.—President Mitchell, of the United Mine-workers, arrived here tonight and established headquarters at the Hotel Hart. The president stated that so far as the miners' side of the controversy was concerned they had not changed.

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DR. LACHMAN RESIGNS.

EUGENE, Ore., May 20.—Dr. Lachman, head of the department of chemistry in the State University, has tendered his resignation. It is said that two more members of the faculty will soon follow. It is generally believed that the upheaval is the result of lack of harmony between the regent and the faculty.

MINE DISASTER DEAD.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 20.—Up to midnight 39 have been taken from the Fraterville mine at Coal Creek, the scene of yesterday's catastrophe in which 225 miners perished.

ROBBED OF HIS PURSE.

How often we see this startling headline in our daily papers, and how much we sympathize with the unfortunate victim, be he rich or poor, but there are hundreds of other cases, of people who have been robbed of a far greater treasure than wealth that we never hear of. We refer to those who have been robbed of their good health by a rebellious stomach. There is one medicine, however, that will conquer a rebellious stomach and make it perform its duties properly, and that is HOSSETT'S Stomach Bitters. It is a specific remedy for the stomach and will cure belching flatulency, sick headache, indigestion, constipation and biliousness. Try it and see. Our Private Die Stamp is over the neck of the bottle.

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